and the matter is before the court. The entire property and assets belonging to the company have to be disposed of under the directions of the court. The only thing that we can do is to make representations before the court. We have made representations and the Corporation has also made representations to the court. The Judge has given his judgment. Certainly, this is not the place where the judgment can be discussed. The question of filing an appeal and other questions are to be considered separately and cannot be raised by a motion like the one given notice of by the hon. Member on the floor of the House. Even with regard to the two points raised in the adjournment motion, I am afraid that this is not the forum where we can discuss those points. Moreover, I wish to point out that this is not a matter of urgent public importance."

MR. SPEAKER :—" As for the first part of the adjournment motion, viz., revival of tramways, it is a fit subject to be considered by a separate resolution. As for the second part, it is the duty of the Government to collect dues and they know how to do it. For these reasons, the questions raised in the adjournment motion are not of urgent public importance. So I rule the motion out of order."

IV.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS.

ELECTION OF ONE MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY TO THE BOARD OF INDUSTRIES.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I move—

'*That as Sri S. S. Ramasami Padayachi, M.L.A., has resigned his membership on the Board of Industries having accepted the Office of Minister, in accordance with section 3 (1) (h) of the Madras State Aid to Industries Act, 1922 (Madras Act V of 1923), and rule 3 of the rules framed thereunder, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Speaker to elect one person to be the Assembly's representative on the Board of Industries constituted under the Act.*' "

MR. SPEAKER—" The question is—

'That as Sri S. S. Ramasami Padayachi, M.L.A., has resigned his membership on the Board of Industries having accepted the Office of Minister, in accordance with section 3 (1) (*h*) of the Madras State Aid to Industries Act, 1922 (Madras Act V of 1923), and rule 3 of the rules framed thereunder, this Assembly do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Speaker to elect one person to be the Assembly's representative on the Board of Industries constituted under the Act.' "

The motion was put and carried.

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MR. SPEAKER :—" In accordance with the regulations framed by me for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix 3 p.m., Thursday, the 12th August 1954, as the time within which nomination papers of candidates for election of one member to the Board of Industries should reach the Secretary. Nomination forms can be had on application to the Secretary.

" If the number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of seats to be filled, namely, one, a poll will be taken on Friday, the 13th August 1954, between the hours of 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m."

V.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS DISTRICT BOARDS (SECOND AMENDMENT) BILL, 1954.

* THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMI PADAYACHI :—" Mr. Speaker, I beg leave to move—

'*That the Madras District Boards (Second Amendment) Bill* [a], 1954, *be taken into consideration at once.*'

" The ordinary elections to district boards, based on the adult franchise, will be held during the months of September and October 1954. The number of persons contesting the elections will be considerable, and the election campaign and propaganda will be almost unceasing till the last hour of the poll, in which case breaches of peace and disorder may arise. The same elaborate arrangements as for the State Legislative Assembly elections have, therefore, to be made. For the smooth and efficient conduct of these elections, it is considered necessary to prohibit public meetings on the dates of poll and the canvassing of votes in or near the polling stations, to deal with disorderly conduct in or near the polling stations and to empower the Special Officers of District Boards or other specified responsible officials to requisition vehicles, premises, etc., on the lines of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 (Central Act XLIII of 1951). Reasonable compensation will be paid to owners whose vehicles or buildings are so requisitioned.

" The Representation of the People Act, 1951, does not apply to district board elections, and there are no analogous provisions, either under the Madras District Boards Act, 1920, or in the rules for the election of members of district boards framed thereunder. Hence legislation is necessary to make provision in the Madras District Boards Act, 1920, in that regard. I accordingly move that the Madras District Boards (Second Amendment) Bill, 1954, be taken into consideration at once."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Motion moved—

' That the Madras District Boards (Second Amendment) Bill, 1954, be taken into consideration at once.' "

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